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Robert Williams Would Maroon 2-300,000 U.S. Jews on an Island

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—(NJP)—Robert H. Williams, the newest threat among the anti-Semitic fringe, recommended the removal of "perhaps two or three hundred thousand" Jews to an island.

Asked by letter what he proposed be done with the Jews, Williams, who publishes the monthly Intelligence Summary, a viciously anti-Semitic newsletter, replied that he used to think that the "only solution to our problem would be to move every single Jew to an island permanently."

But now that he believes that he knows "Jews are the Jewish problem better," he feels that "it is only the vicious power-hungry and temperamentally perverted fanatics of the Jewish community who are the source of trouble in any generation."

HE HAS THE ANSWER

"If we could move them to an island and keep them there," he related, "it probably would be two or three generations before another crop of deceptive and destructive revolutionaries would have time to organize their people against us again."

Williams said he did "not know how many" Jews would have to be so marooned" but guessed at the figure of two or three hundred thousand.

He speculated that if these so-called "activists" were merely run out of the country they would immediately set about organizing all of the other countries of the world against us."

"Already of course," he asserted, "they have organized Russia and eastern Europe and Asia against us to the best of their ability."

SHOULD DESTROY ADL

Williams was asked, what he thought "Jews themselves ought to do about the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and about Herbert Lehman, Felix Frankfurter, Anna Rosenberg, etc. Williams, who has accused them of Communist affiliations, replied that "the more far-sighted Jews should destroy the Anti-Defamation League and repudiate the revolutionary leaders such as

Asks Country Club To Ban Treifa Meats

PHILADELPHIA — Philip Klein, publisher of The Philadelphia Jewish Times called upon eight predominantly Jewish country clubs in the Philadelphia area to follow the lead of a mid-west Jewish country club and adopt a new house rule forbidding the serving in their restaurant of seafood and meats prohibited by the Mosaic dietary laws.

Publisher Klein wrote that "you can't tell me that, all of your members insist on bacon with their eggs, when on Sunday mornings they are great trenchermen with lox and cream cheese . . . nor do they insist on crab when it hasn't been so long ago when gefilte fish was an important part of their diet."

(Publisher Klein was referring to the action of the Jewish country club in Winnipeg, Can.

Frankfurter, Lehman and Anna Rosenberg."

The letter requesting Williams' views, did not state that the writer had any newspaper connection or whether or not he was Jewish.

In his letter Williams repeated the wild accusations in his newsletter that "Communism is Jewish and that Zionism is behind the same revolution."

A citation naming him "the 1951 Man of the Year" was presented last week to President Miguel Aleman by B'nai B'rith.

Councilman Clarifies Statement 'Hitler Right': Jews Satisfied

By CHESTER M. ZEFF

National Jewish Post Correspondent

PITTSBURG, Calif.—(NJP)—A city councilman who said "Hitler was right" in the course of a heated council meeting clarified his position to the Jewish community of this city of 20,000, and all are now agreed the incident is "closed."

H. C. Chapin who turned to Dr. H. G. Loewenstein, Viennese

refugee physician who was protesting burning of leaves in the streets, and said "Hitler was right to a certain degree as far as I am concerned," (NJP, Oct. 26, 1951) signed the statement, which later was published in the local daily, The Post-Dispatch.

In the statement, which resulted from a meeting with Chapin by members of Anti-Defamation League committee and the local Civic Unity committee, Chapin asserted that: "At a meeting of the city council, under strong provocation and goaded into a heat of anger by the actions of a local citizen, I uttered a remark generally to the effect that Hitler was right to a certain degree."

"My remark," he continued, "has been misinterpreted as a statement derogatory to a whole

group of good citizens of this community. Such an interpretation was farthest from my thoughts and I retract the statement. I am sorry that I made it and the citizens of Pittsburgh know, I am sure, that I hold no prejudice against any group."

The statement was submitted to the Post-Dispatch for publication, but before it appeared Chapin asked the editor to insert a change for "clarification." The original statement was changed to read: "Such an interpretation was farthest from my thoughts and I want to clarify the statement. I am sorry that it was misinterpreted and the citizens of Pittsburgh know, I am sure, that I hold no prejudice



RABBI KIRSHBLUM
More Than 4 Questions

'Desert Fox' Is Smash Box Office Success

By HAROLD U. RIBALOW

NEW YORK—(NJP)—Variety, the bible of show business, reveals in this week's issue that "The Desert Fox," the glamorized Hollywood version of Nazi General Rommel, is a smash box office success. All over the country, the 20th Century-Fox film is attracting record crowds, the publication reveals.

In New York's Globe theatre the first week's gross was \$54,000.

This, Variety reported, is a near record and the week-day opening was the biggest in three years. In Los Angeles, the take was \$48,000; in Baltimore, a "fat" \$9,000; in Omaha, a "lively" \$11,000; in St. Louis, a "good" 12,000; in Detroit, \$27,000, the "most lively entry of the week"; in Philadelphia, a "sockeroo" at \$30,000; in Buffalo, a "buffo" smash at \$15,000; in Boston, a "slick" \$22,500; in Providence, a "sturdy" \$13,000; in San Francisco, a "fine" \$28,000; in Kansas City, a "fancy" 17,000; in Denver, a "leader" at \$21,000, in Pittsburgh, a "bangup" at \$11,000.

Southern Rabbis Hold Kallah Next Week

PENSACOLA, Fla.—The Reform and the Orthodox congregations here are co-sponsors of the fourth meeting of the Kallah of Southern Rabbis which will be held here Nov. 6 and 7. The two congregations and their rabbis, Julius A. Leibert and Jacob Holzman, are hosts to the meeting.

On the program are Dr. Israel Bettan of the Hebrew Union College; Rabbi Alexander Kline, rabbi Holzman, Rabbi Marvin Resnikoff and Rabbi Joseph Schechter.

Agency Confines Reply To Yiddish, AJ Press

NEW YORK—(NJP)—The reply of the Jewish Agency to the American Jewish Committee's resolution objecting to a halutzut drive in the U.S. and the granting of a charter to the Agency for work in Israel, was not issued to the daily press, The Post learned this week.

The Agency purposefully did not call in the daily papers for a release of its reply, which was made by Mrs. Rose Halprin, and as a result it appeared only in the yiddish and the Anglo-Jewish press.

The resolution adopted by The AJ Committee was released to the daily press.

Hospital Compromise Barred By Rabbis

NEW YORK—(NJP)—The campaign on the part of New York rabbis to see that kashruth is observed at the proposed Long Island Jewish Hospital gathered increased momentum this week with the following developments:

1. Fifty leading rabbis turned down the compromise proposal of the hospital at a meeting held on the request of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York in an effort to reach an agreement.

2. Rabbi I. Usher Kirshblum of Queens announced that he was withdrawing support from Federation, which he blamed for the hospital plans.

The 50 rabbis met Sunday night at the home of A. B. Joffe, a member of the hospital's board of directors, who told The Post that Federation had asked him to act as intermediary. Among those present were Rabbi Herbert Goldstein, Dr. Leo Young, and Dr. Robert Gordis.

NO SUCH THING AS HALF KOSHER

Joffe said that he presented the hospital's compromise plan of having dual facilities—kosher and non-kosher. However, the rabbis raised unanimous objections to this proposal on the ground that there was nothing in Jewish law to permit such an arrangement. There is no such thing as half kosher, they said. Either the hospital is kosher or it isn't.

Joffe reported that no decision was reached and said it would be necessary to have more meetings until unity was achieved.

The session also heard Rabbi Kirshblum repeat questions about Federation which he raised last week at a meeting of the New York Board of Rabbis in the Federation building. The meeting was an official one called to plan for aiding Federation in its campaign. Rabbi Kirshblum posed several questions to Executive Vice President Joseph Willens of Federation.

IS FEDERATION OPEN ON SATURDAYS

"Is it true that the Federation office is open on Sabbath during the campaign and that workers are encouraged to violate the Sabbath by being paid time and a half?" he asked.

"Is it true that Federation is always open on the second day of the Jewish holidays thereby conforming to the principles of Reformism and disregarding the principles of Orthodoxy and Conservatism?" he also wanted to know.

On the subject of the hospital, Rabbi Kirshblum demanded to know:

"Why was the petition signed by 63 rabbis and headed by the most distinguished rabbis of Long Island, namely Dr. Robert Gordis, Dr. Ben Zion Bokser, and Rabbi Arthur Neulander, completely ignored?"

WHO IS OPPOSING KASHRUTH?

"Who are the Jews of Long Island opposing Kashruth?"

"The Long Island Rabbinate, including the Reform rabbis, have all come out for kashruth. Not a single Reform congregation has come out against kashruth. Is it possible then that Federation itself is the only and strongest opponent of Kashruth in the Long Island Hospital?"

The rabbi said that "as a matter of self-respect" he can't support Federation's drive this year and he called upon the President of the New York Board of Rabbis to urge that Federation review its religious policies. Furthermore, he suggested that Federation establish specific religious standards and require beneficiary institutions to comply as a condition of support.

Reached by telephone for comment on Rabbi Kirshblum's statement, Willens told The Post that he wanted to reply but would require more time to study the rabbi's remarks. He promised to have something to say on the subject within the next week.

Willens said that he had not given any private reply to Kirshblum. This was confirmed by the Long Island Rabbi, who said that he had not been answered by Willens but was anxiously waiting to hear from him.

QUESTIONS RAISED BY MANY PEOPLE

"I may be all wrong in my viewpoint," Kirshblum conceded. "I'm merely asking a series of questions that have been raised by many people in the Jewish community. However, I have good reason to believe that many of these criticisms are founded."

In his statement before the New York Board of Rabbis, Kirshblum said that Federation has not been successful in obtaining more than 80,000 contributors and suggested that this might be because Federation has been "constantly irritating the religious sensibilities of a goodly portion of the Jews of New York."

Among the other questions he asked Willens to answer were:

1. Is it true that Mt. Sinai Hospital does not serve meat on Fridays in deference to its Catholic patients?

2. Is it true that the Neustadter Home in Yonkers does not permit kosher food to be brought in?

3. Is it true that the women residents of Kingsbridge House are not given the facilities to kindle lights on Sabbath eve?

Meeting Explores Bigotry By Jews

PHILADELPHIA—(NJP)—The agency presented three dramatic sketches at a meeting of the Conference of Organizations of the Jewish Community on bigotry by Jews in employment, housing and education.

Church Ladies Tend Children For High Holiday Services

EVANSTON, Ill.—(NJP)—While the parents attended High Holiday services at Beth Emeth, the Free Synagogue here, the children were taken care of by a group of women of the Oakton United Church.

Beth Emeth women have offered to reciprocate for Oakton Church families during the Christmas season.

GLUECK NAMED FOR LIFE

NEW YORK—Election of Dr. Nelson Glueck as lifetime president of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Belgium was announced here by the board of governors. Dr. Glueck, a noted archaeologist, assumed the presidency of HUC in 1947.

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Spurious Israeli Hero Is Exposed In Miami

MIAMI, Fla.—(NJP)—A man who was feted by the Miami Jewish community as an Israeli war hero was uncovered as a fraud here this week.

Ebert (Rex) Cox, who had represented himself variously as a lieutenant colonel in and chief technical adviser to the Israeli air force, special adviser on the Middle East to the U.S. State Department, and an Israeli undercover agent, resigned his job with the municipal engineering department.

MADE FALSE CHARGE

He was under fire for unsubstantiated charges of corruption he had leveled against civic officials here.

Cox was accepted in good faith by the local Jewish community, and was a featured speaker at several important Zionist rallies.

WAS HANDYMAN

According to the Miami Herald Cox served in the Israeli armed forces as a handyman with no military rank.

The Herald explained that when he applied for his passport to Israel, he represented himself to the State department as an Israeli secret agent, although his application for undercover work had been rejected by the Israeli intelligence authorities.

Cox Shows Documents To Prove War Service

MIAMI—(NJP)—Striking back in his own defense, Rex Cox displayed documents to verify his claims of experience with the Israeli air force.

Letters from Lt. Col. E. Avidor dated April 5, 1950, testified that Cox "acted in a technical advisory capacity for the Israeli air force from August, 1948, to March, 1949. Col. Avidor was then acting military, naval and air attache for the Israeli embassy in Washington.

Admitting that he did not actually rank as he previously claimed, Cox maintains he had been given simulated rank, rising from the equivalent of First Lieutenant to that of Lieutenant Colonel, although this could not be entered on official records.

"As a U.S. citizen, I could not have accepted a commission in the Israeli air force," he explained.

Court To Rule Monday On Artukovich Plea

LOS ANGELES—(NJP)—Federal Judge Pierson Hall has postponed until Nov. 5 his decision on the plea of writ of Habeas Corpus of Andre Artukovich, alleged mass murderer (NJP, June 1, 1951). Artukovich claims that proceedings against him are invalid because no extradition treaty exists between the U.S. and Yugoslavia.

He is currently at liberty on a \$50,000 bond.

A spokesman for the Yugoslav government which is seeking to bring him back for trial on murder charges, told The Post that while the extradition treaty upon which the proceedings are based excludes "political offenses" as extraditable, his country's position is that "genocide and the murder of non-political persons, such as babies, cannot be considered political."

Artukovich is charged with the murder of some 47 Rabbis and cantors, among others.

Meyer Levin's, *The Golden Mountain*, first published in 1932, and a classic of retold Hassidic tales, has been reissued by Behrman. It has been a collector's item for years. Levin wrote about the book in his autobiographical *In Search*.



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The State of Israel \$500,000,000 Bond Issue is intended to promote the economic development of the State. The proceeds of the Bond Issue are to be used for the purchase of machinery, raw materials, equipment and other items designed to increase the country's productive facilities so that it may earn and save foreign currency. Of the total amount, \$205,000,000 is to be allocated for investment in the fields of industry and power. The sum of \$130,000,000 has been designated for agricultural projects; \$40,000,000 for the development of harbors, shipping and railroads; \$45,000,000 for trade and services including the development of the tourist industry; and \$30,000,000 for the establishment of a government mortgage bank for housing.

The balance, after payment of the expenses of the issue, is to serve as a reserve for unanticipated projects or for increased expenditures for the designated projects.

The Government's economic development program involves a total projected expenditure of \$1,500,000,000, of which \$500,000,000 is to be provided by Israel and other countries, and the balance is to be obtained in the United States. The \$500,000,000 State of Israel Bond Issue is the largest single source of funds for this program.

With immigration proceeding at the rate of 200,000 a year, Israel requires capital imports to meet the large investment necessary to create permanent employment opportunities and housing for the newcomers. A balanced and mature economy will as a

rule produce enough to cover the consumptive needs of its population and to provide for some further investment to increase productivity. But under the best conditions, current production cannot begin to supply the huge capital needs of a population that is increasing at the enormous rate experienced by Israel. Palestine and Israel, therefore, have always had an adverse trade balance—like many young countries facing immigration and development tasks, including the United States, Australia and New Zealand. As immigration increased, so did the adverse trade balance. The import surplus served to meet the investment needs of the economy. For 1949 receipts on current account were (expressed in Israel Pounds, I.L.) I.L. 20,600,000 and payments, I.L. 94,100,000. For 1950 receipts on current account were I.L. 23,800,000 and payments, I.L. 113,400,000.

It is one of the major purposes of the Bond Issue to improve Israel's balance of trade through the establishment of new industrial and agricultural enterprises and through the expansion of production for export as well as for home consumption.

As of December 31, 1950, the funded debt was I.L. 114,200,000 and the floating debt, I.L. 1,300,000. The figures do not include any Treasury Bills, because of their relationship to the Special Defense Budget which has not been disclosed for security reasons.

Israel has never at any time defaulted upon the payment of principal or interest on any debt.

The budgets of the Government reflect the objectives of the State of Israel to provide for the immigration and absorption of a large number of Jews. From May 15, 1948 to March 31, 1949, receipts were I.L. 28,885,000 and expenditures, I.L. 27,529,000. From April 1, 1949 to March 31, 1950, receipts were I.L. 92,876,000 and expenditures I.L. 93,800,000. From April 1, 1950 to January 31, 1951, receipts were I.L. 113,473,000 and expenditures I.L. 112,087,000. These figures do not include Special Defense Budget expenditures or receipts from internal loans financing same.

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Mestrovic's Record Defended, But Choice As Sculptor Is Hit

NEW YORK—(NJP)—Sponsors of the \$500,000 memorial to the six million Jews slain by the Nazis were criticized this week for engaging a non-Jewish sculptor, Ivan Mestrovic, to design the monument because the move is "despondently discouraging in its effect on Jewish art and artists."

Speaking as an individual, Dr. Jacob Freid, a member of the Office of Jewish Information of the American Jewish Congress, declared that Mestrovic's selection indicates "the dismal failure of American Jewry to sponsor its own talented creators in the fine arts."

Freid praised Mestrovic, calling him one of the foremost contemporary sculptors, and stated that there is "no evidence" for the pro-Nazi charge (NJP, Sept. 28, 1951).

He observed, however, that the works of the non-Jewish sculptor are "permeated with Christological reverence and Christian devotion," adding that his accomplishments "warrant the patronage of the Vatican rather than the sponsors of a memorial to the martyred of Israel."

MANY JEWISH SCULPTORS

Declaring that there is no lack of Jewish "brilliance in the art of the chisel and armature," Freid cited the names of William Zorach, Nathaniel Kaz, Jacques Lipschutz, Jacob Epstein and Chaim Gross.

Bypassing these Jewish artists is a "wanton flaunting" of Jewish sculptural talents eager for the opportunity to meaningfully express their people's profound tragedy and "to create out of their Jewish identity and consciousness," Freid asserted.

"It is also an act of Jewish rejection of Jewish expression of Jewish themes, despondently discouraging in its effect on Jewish art and artists."

WANTS ART, MUSIC CENTER

The Jewish community, he de-

CJFWF Region Hits UJA-AFDI Contention

DES MOINES, Ia.—In a tactfully-worded resolution the West Central Regional Conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds meeting here last week-end criticized the failure of the United Jewish Appeal and the American Financial and Development Corporation for Israel, sponsors of the Israel bond drive, to coordinate their activities.

After "noting with satisfaction the existence of many effective local coordinating committees," the conference urged "that the kind of activity and effective planning together which is going on locally be extended nationally"

The resolution pointed "to such important policy matters as interpretation of the campaigns, publicity, speakers and other areas of mutual interest in their common concern on behalf of Israel" where the national bodies could cooperate.

The conference also passed a resolution urging its commu-

nced, cannot "afford to stunt the creative talents of its gifted artists and drive them away from the Jewish fold by non-recognition, frustration and disregard."

He suggested that "perhaps the greatest memorial" to the six million Jews slain as a result of Hitler would be the establishment of a Jewish art and music center.

CLEVELAND—(NJP)—Charges of "discrimination" for scheduling a trefa banquet were leveled at the leaders of the Israel bond drive here last week. The charge was made in a paid advertisement in the local Jewish Review and Observer.

The advertisement, "inspired" by Rabbi Shubert Spero and

Parochial School Plan Studied By Israel

NEW YORK (NJP)—The setting up in Israel of a school system where Jewish parochial schools would operate just as Catholic schools do in the U. S.,

although supported by public funds, will be studied by a cabinet commission soon to be established, Leon Gellman, chairman of the World Mizrachi Executive, declared here.

Speaking at a reception in his honor by the Mizrachi Organization of America, Gellman, said the commission will study the possibility of "two basic types of schools—secular and religious." He said that "religious division of such a public school program will of course provide its pupils with a complete secular education, but within the framework of traditional Judaism."

He denied rumors "spread by some ill-informed individuals" that the religious element seeks a theocratic state, adding that such a proposal "is completely against the spirit of true Judaism. We are opposed to any compulsion and seek free speech and free thought for all in Israel."

nities "to do everything possible to strengthen and develop our local and national agencies in the field of Jewish education of our children and youth."

After hearing a talk by Julian Freeman, president of the CJFWF, the conference elected Harold A. Goldman of this city, regional president.



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DOTHAN, Alabama—(NJP)—"Peanuts are important to the welfare of this community, but God is much more important," Rabbi Meyer H. Marx told his congregation in this peanut capital of the U.S.

During the town's annual National Peanut Festival scheduled the weekend of Oct. 26-28, Rabbi Marx announced that he was relinquishing his usual sermon time on Friday evening to allow worshippers to participate in the Festival, but pleaded for a full turnout at the prayer service.

He expressed the hope that congregants "will come to Temple first and then go to the Peanut Festival."

Paid Advertisement Hits Non-Kosher Bond Affair

CLEVELAND—(NJP)—Charges of "discrimination" for scheduling a trefa banquet were leveled at the leaders of the Israel bond drive here last week. The charge was made in a paid advertisement in the local Jewish Review and Observer.

The advertisement, "inspired" by Rabbi Shubert Spero and

sponsored by the Young Israel of Cleveland, scored local bond leaders for scheduling the trefa affair in honor of Abba Eban, Israeli Ambassador to the U.S.

The "Bond Buyer" who signed the advertisement charged that he was barred from the banquet because of the "sin that I choose to remain loyal to the religious traditions of my fathers—JEWISH traditions"

Referring caustically to the bond advertisements which have stressed the "five thousand years old" tradition which makes Israel a "good financial risk," Bond Buyer declared that "surely non-kosher affairs are hardly the way to demonstrate your identification with Jewish tradition."

He reassured the leaders of



GELLMAN

Believe Mizrachi Is Boycotting

Religious Bloc on Kashruth Action

NEW YORK—(NJP)—An attempt by the major Orthodox Jewish organizations in the United States to form a united front to protest Israel's importation of non-kosher meat met with the apparent opposition of the American Mizrachi organization. Mizrachi is the non-labor, religious Zionist organization in the United States.

Although invited to attend each of the three meetings that would not elaborate beyond that, the other groups which attended were Agudat Israel, original sponsor of the united protest, Young Israel, the Union of Orthodox Rabbis, the Rabbinical Council of America, the Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations, and Hapoel Hamizrahi (Mizrachi's labor counterpart).

Mizrachi's failure to attend the meetings was deplored in an article appearing in Jewish Opinion, an Agudah publication. The article charged that although Mizrachi allowed its name to be used in the protest telegram, it failed to attend any of the protest meetings and even wired Zionist leaders shaking off any responsibility for the protest.

Rabbi Morris Sherer, executive director of Agudah, would not be pinned down to the statement that Mizrachi was boycotting the meetings, but he said that the fact that they missed all three "showed a definite trend in that direction." Rabbi Sherer said that he was hopeful that the united action taken by the six orthodox organizations on Israel's importation of non-kosher meat would lay the groundwork for the establishment of a functioning religious bloc in the United States.

The Jewish Labor Committee was given \$1,125 of the total allocations of \$327,975.91.

Largest beneficiary was the United Jewish Appeal which was given \$140,000. Other Israel allocations totaled \$8,200.

The national religious allocations totalled only \$3,250.00 with \$1,000 each going to the Hebrew Union College, the Jewish Theological Seminary and Yeshiva University, and \$250.00 to the Hebrew Theological College of Chicago.

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Star High School Athlete In Minneapolis Won't Compete In Contests On Sabbath

National Jewish Post Correspondent
By LEWIS N. GINSBERG

MINNEAPOLIS—(NJP)—Irwin Goldfein, a junior at North High School here, withdrew from the state high school cross-country race because a late Friday afternoon starting time would have necessitated his violating the Sabbath.

A leading member of his school's cross-country team, he had amassed a winning record in city-meet competition and qualified for the state-wide run.

Irwin, who is also a member of the North High golf team, did not seek a varsity basketball post because games are played on Friday nights.

CONDUCTED SERVICE

The six-foot, fifteen year old athlete is as at home in Jewish life as he is in the sporting arena. A minyan regular at daily and Sabbath services, Irwin served as cantor Baal Koray and Baal Tokayah at the high holiday services this year in St. Cloud, Minn.

He gained an early start in officiating at religious services while a member of the Shaarei Zedek synagogue choir here, and at his Bar Mitzvah conduct-



IRWIN GOLDFEIN
Judaism First

ed the entire service as well as the Torah reading. Since his Bar Mitzvah he has led services and read the Torah at several of the local Orthodox synagogues.

Having studied at the local Hebrew schools, Irwin is continuing his Jewish studies as a member of a Talmud class at the Torah Academy, a Minneapolis day school, led by Rabbis C. T. Hollander and Jacob D. Renert.

FAMILY OBSERVANT

Irwin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Goldfein of this city. His father, an accountant with the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, is a strict Sabbath observer. His older brother, Gerald, is a student at the Mesivta Chaim Berlin in New York, and a younger brother, Shaven, is enrolled at the Torah Academy here.

A member of Bnei Akiva (Ha-poel Hamizrahi youth affiliate), Irwin is captain of that group's basketball team and counts among his achievements participation with the group's tennis, bowling and ping-pong aggregations.

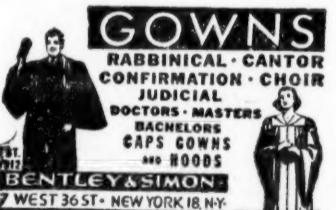
Newark Advises SSEU of Contract Termination

NEWARK, N.J.—(NJP)—The Jewish Community Council of Essex County, some beneficiary agencies, and the local Jewish Times last week announced that they will cease recognition of Social Service Employees Union, Local 11, as bargaining agent for their employees upon expiration of the current agreement at the end of this year.

The SSEU was expelled from the CIO on the grounds of being "consistently directed toward the achievement of the program and purposes of the Communist Party."

In the letter informing local 11 of their decision, the agencies stated that they "desire to continue to maintain collective bargaining relations with their employees" and "are prepared to deal with any bona fide union of different political reputation, whenever selected by a majority of the employees."

Local Jewish agencies through-



LACK OF FUNDS BLAMED FOR IMMIGRATION QUOTA

NEW YORK—(NJP)—An explanation of the reported action taken by the Israel government to limit immigration into the Jewish state, was offered here this week by the Jewish Agency.

The Agency explained that decisions of this sort are made by the Vaad Leumi, a committee of officials of the Israel government and members of the Jewish Agency executive in Jerusalem.

out the U.S. have already taken similar action, as have the national UJA, UPA, ZOA, JWB, Hadassah, American Jewish Committee, American Jewish Congress and the National Council of Jewish Women.

The decisions are not policy decisions but are based on the amount of money available for immigration and integration of the newcomers in Israel. If immigration is limited, it is because there is not enough money available for the immediate transportation and settlement of all the Jews waiting to enter. (Reports had the maximum number of immigrants that would be allowed to enter Israel at 7,000 to 10,000 per month).

Spokesmen for the American section of the Jewish Agency pointed out that should more money for immigration and development be available, the quotas would be raised or abolished altogether.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Rose Halprin, president of Hadassah and a member of the executive of the American section of the Jewish Agency pointed out that no official word has been received from Jerusalem confirming the reported quotas.

"If the Vaad Leumi has adopted these quotas" she said, "it is only because the funds for immediate unlimited immigration are not available. Israel is still committed to open door immigration."

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Knesset Finally Gets Law Outlawing Capital Punishment

TEL AVIV—(NJP)—A debate which has been running since the establishment of the State of Israel seemed near settlement this week after the Israeli cabinet voted Sunday to submit to the Knesset a law proposing abolition of the death penalty.

Seven men had been sitting in the death cells of Israeli prisons while Israeli legislators debated the abolition of capital punishment (NJP, Aug. 11, 1950).

Previous law, carried over from the British Mandate, provided for death for treason, premeditated murder, murder to facilitate another crime or escape, and murder of parents and grandparents. Mandatory law called for death by hanging.

At one of the early meetings of the Provisional State Council in 1948, members of the then Religious Bloc won a promise of no executions until the legislature settled the issue of capital punishment.

The courts, however, continued to sentence convicted murderers to the gallows. The condemned men went to jail and stayed there.

While there was general agreement on the death penalty for Nazi war criminals and persons convicted of genocide, opinion was otherwise split into three camps.

A faction led by Pinchas Rosen, then Minister of Justice, favored retaining the death penalty only for wartime treason. Rosen argued that the danger of

a miscarriage of justice was particularly great in a country like Israel with its mixture of peoples and languages.

Another group, led by the Minister of Police, advocated capital punishment for murder, as a weapon against crime.

The third group, made up of Religious Bloc members and leftists, favored total abolition of the death penalty except for genocide.

Save for the miscarriage of justice in the army execution of Meir Tobiansky, there were no executions since the establishment of the State, and Israel has been without a hangman.

Third Of Jewish Babies Sold On Black Market

By GABRIEL KASZOVITZ

National Jewish Post Correspondent

NEW YORK—(NJP)—The shocking figure of one third of the Jewish babies available for adoption being sold through the black market was estimated by Mrs. Florence Brown, executive director of the Free Synagogue Child Adoption Committee.

Mrs. Brown stated that the ratio of demand to supply in Jewish adoptions is 10:1 in New York City, and as high as 20:1 in some areas outside of New York. But she went on to add that the situation was the same in the adoption of Christian children, both in the very large excess of childless couples over available children, and in black market activity.

The Post was told that the black market places as many, or more children than do the legitimate agencies. Each takes care of about one third of the total number. The remaining third are usually placed within, or by the child's family.

This latter method, Mrs. Brown said, is legal.

As for combating the black market in babies, she felt that more effective police enforcement would help, but that the most important force in off-setting the illegal activity was a public who better understood the necessity of placing the child with an eye toward its future happiness rather than to the highest secret bidder.

The holocaust in Europe did not provide babies for American-Jewish parents to adopt, as many people think. Those children who were old enough to save themselves are now past the adoption age.

The Free Synagogue Adoption Committee was founded by the late Mrs. Stephen S. Wise. The committee gets its main financial support from the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

DELEGATE DIES WHILE ADDRESSING UJA MEET

NEW YORK—(NJP)—William Keyserling, 82-year-old father of Leon Keyserling, died dramatically here of a heart attack while addressing the crowded national report conference of the United Jewish Appeal.

Although emergency treatment was administered by three

physicians in the audience, the Beaufort, S.C. UJA leader was pronounced dead in a few minutes. Leon Keyserling is chairman of President Truman's Council of Economic Advisors.

The elder Mr. Keyserling had just asserted "We must save Jewish lives" over the floor microphone when he suddenly clutched the instrument and slumped to the floor.

Through the morning he was actively engaged at the special session devoted to fund-raising. Twice he had asked for the microphone to stress the need for young volunteers to enroll in the appeal.

When he requested the floor

again the delegates gave him an audience before he made his final talk.

Mr. Keyserling was general chairman of the UJA in Beaufort, and a founder of that city's B'nai B'rith chapter.

Also surviving are another son, Herbert, of Beaufort; a daughter, Beth Rosenfarb of NYC; a brother, Israel, of Beaufort; and three grandchildren.

The National Fire Insurance Company of Hartford, one of the leading fire insurance companies in the United States, have subscribed for \$10,000 worth of State of Israel Bonds.

Brandeis Trounced By Bradley 47-0

WALTHAM, Mass. (NJP)—Brandeis University lost its third game of the season on its home field to an alert fast moving Bradley University football team from Peoria, Ill., to the tune of 47 to 0.

By the simple expedient of cashing in every time they got a break, Bradley kept piling up its impressive score.

The whole game turned out to be a bad dream for Brandeis—if not a nightmare.

The Judges are hoping to heal their wounds from the Bradley encounter when they meet Champlain University this Saturday afternoon.

Eric Johnston Terms Israel Bonds Sound

NEW YORK—(NJP)—You have the word of Eric Johnston ECA head, that "an investment in an Israeli bond is a sound investment in liberty, just as we can so regard an investment in U.S. bonds." In the first major address since his return from an economic survey of Europe, Johnston told a dinner for Israel Independence Bonds, that the Israel bond issue floated in this country is another means of combatting inflation.

He said "the Israel bond drive and our own defense bond drive" did not "represent either or propositions" and "many of you can support one without impairing your support of the other."

Third At Brandeis U. Get Financial Help

WALTHAM, Mass. (NJP)—A total of 202 students at Brandeis University, almost one-third of that school's student body, receive some form of financial aid enabling them to attend college, it was revealed by Morris Shapiro, chairman of the university's committee on scholarships and aid.

More than 100 scholarships, double last year's amount, are available for students of high scholastic standing in need of assistance. These are maintained by benefactors drawn from 29 communities in 17 states, with the majority from Chicago, New York and Boston.

DEATH FROM POLIO CHEATS DENVER BOY OF CONDUCTING HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES

DENVER—Allan Bolshoun, 13, who was to have conducted High Holiday services at the Junior congregation of the Hebrew Educational Alliance, died here of polio. He had been ill for five weeks and was believed to be recuperating when he suddenly took a turn for the worse.

Jewish and non-Jewish school mates of Allan at the Lake Junior High School acted as pall bearers.

Rabbi Manuel Laderman said that Allan was one of the best students the Alliance ever had.

A brother and sister survive, in addition to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bolshoun.

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Rabbinical Head Says Day Approaching When Mixed Seating O. K.

CHICAGO—(NJP)—An Orthodox leader this week made the assertion that the time will come when "even Orthodox people will accept mixed pews in synagogues."

Rabbi Leonard C. Mishkin, educational director of the Associated Talmud Torahs of Chicago and president of the Chicago Rabbinical Council, told The Post that "as the concept of modesty changes" the role of woman in Jewish religious life will change.

Explaining on socio-psychological grounds the traditional segregated seating, not calling women up for the reading of the Torah, and similar practices which apparently relegated women to an inferior position in Jewish life, Rabbi Mishkin said that these have been based upon the respective local and contemporary custom, rather than on any specific point in Jewish law.

Thus, for example, in some areas of European

Reform Jewry even, mixed seating was not allowed.

However, as the general mores and the traditional, not specifically Jewish, attitude towards woman change, this and other practices based on custom will be broadened to allow for more female participation in Jewish religious life.

Rabbi Mishkin declared that Jewish law has always allowed women to hold their own, full services, with women making up the necessary quorum, although this, too, has not been the general practise.

Tape Recorded High Holiday Services Held In Minnesota's 12 Mental, Penal Institutions

MINNEAPOLIS—(NJP)—Tape-recorded High Holiday services, believed to be the first of their kind, were held this year for the Jewish inmates of Minnesota's mental hospitals and penal institutions.

The services were "very favorably received" according to officials of the Division of State Public Institutions.

Prepared by Rabbi Milton Kopstein with the cooperation of the University of Minnesota, the half-hour recording for each holiday featured the more important holiday prayers chanted by a cantor and choir, and prayer readings and a sermonette by Rabbi Kopstein. Special uniform holiday prayer books were used to supplement the recordings, and opportunity was provided for participation in the services by the congregation.

Cooperation of non-Jewish resident chaplains was obtained. At St. Cloud, Minnesota, the local radio station provided equipment on which to play the tape, following arrangements by the Rev. A. R. Nordgren, resident Protestant

chaplain at the state reformatory. Jewish hospital and penal personnel also participated in the services.

Rabbi Kopstein, Jewish chaplain for ten state mental hospitals and two state penal institutions, said that the recordings were prepared in order to provide inmates with holiday services "on the holidays themselves."

He indicated that previously, services were conducted at most of the institutions either prior to or following the holidays, because "one chaplain could not possibly reach the Jewish hospital and prison population, which is scattered throughout the state, on the holidays themselves."

Rabbi Kopstein, Orthodox, and former spiritual leader of the Knesseth Israel Congregation here, was appointed to his chaplaincy post by former Governor Luther Youngdahl in conjunction with the state's intensified mental health program.

He is the sole Jewish chaplain on the staff of the Division of State Public Institutions.



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Saint, Son of Maranno, Spanish Book Claims

MADRID (WNS)—The possibility that St. Theresa of Avila, whose shrine has drawn tens of thousands of pilgrims was of Jewish origin, was offered in a book published here recently. The author claims that St. Theresa's grandfather was a Maranno who later adopted the Jewish faith.

Official Catholic sources are checking the authenticity of the claim before making a statement.

WOMEN'S VIEWPOINT

SOME COMMENT ON SIMCHAS TORAH;
INTEREST HIGH SAVE AS TORAH READ

By HELEN COHEN

I AM NOT here offering a solution.

I just feel it is necessary to note that in the Simchas Torah service, which is supposed to be primarily held to "celebrate" or honor the Torah, the one time when the congregation shows complete boredom and lack of interest is during the actual reading of the Torah. Then both adult and child alike decide it is time to ignore the proceedings on the altar and begin conversing with their neighbors.

We should add, to round out the picture, that the holiday of Simchas Torah is probably the most impressive and colorful of the Jewish festivals, especially in its effect on the child, with its pageantry and joyous attitude, singing and proud parading of the entire group of shiny, satin bound and gold and silver trimmed scrolls of the Torah.

And the impressiveness of the occasion has been definitely augmented by the fairly recent and fitting innovation of utilizing the day of honoring the Torah by "consecrating" first grade pupils to the Torah. Watching little six year olds, in starched white shirts and dainty party frocks march solemnly up to the altar to be blessed and instructed to hold fast to Torah will move even the most sophisticated.

I suppose part of the fault of the congregation's complete lack of interest in the actual reading of the Torah is that it is done in Hebrew and therefore unintelligible.

However I am reminded that Reform Judaism was severely criticized because it decided that while the ideal of "Torah" still burns brightly, the actual book, ancient and not very pertinent to the present, should be relegated to a more minor role in the services held in the House of Worship.

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IT IS PRETTY obvious that there is some confusion in the attitude of the Christians toward their own position as well as that of the Jewish group in regard to the Bible or specifically the Old Testament.

We noticed in The Post that columnist Goldstein of the Boston Catholic newspaper insisted that the Old Testament was definitely the property of the non-Jews. Even Hitler didn't go so far. He was pleased to instruct his Jewish citizens to relinquish their Aryan names and revert back to those usually assumed by members of the Hebrew tribe—to Abraham and Isaac and Rachel and Sarah—names right out of the Old Testament.

Another example of the confusion which is apparent in Christianity's attitude to the Old Testament, was the local newspaper article about the members of a church who planned to devote the entire Sunday to reading through the New Testament from beginning to end. Each person was to read 15 minutes and there would be one break at noon. They expected to be finished by nightfall. The pastor explained that the idea had a long tradition behind it since it could be found in the Old Testament (I neglected to save the item so I'm not certain which book was mentioned but I believe he spoke of the Book of Kings and that the Law was read in the Temple from beginning to end.)

Isn't there some discrepancy in referring back to the Old Testament for authority and then confining oneself to reading only the New Testament?

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IVE FOUND just the right book-mark to stick in the pages as I go through the magazine on homes and gardens which is so boastful that its subscribers are screened to be interested in "buying".

I'm going to copy a paragraph I found in the New Yorker magazine which is part of an ad for a book entitled "Try Giving Yourself Away" by David Dunn.

"No," says the ad, "there's nothing you can BUY that will keep you truly happy. In fact, the secret is just the opposite of GETTING. It is giving. And not giving material things, either. You simply give to others a bit of yourself—a thoughtful act, a helpful idea, a word of appreciation, a lift over a rough spot, a sense of understanding, a usable suggestion. Anything sincere and genuine from your heart to the heart of another."

HELLER RAISES \$10,000

HOUSTON, Tex. (NJP) — A meeting addressed by Rabbi James G. Heller here last Thursday raised almost \$10,000 for the local Histadrut campaign. Rabbi Heller spoke to a small luncheon group and then delivered an address at a public meeting the same evening. He justified Histadrut's separate campaign for \$10,000,000 in the U. S. on the grounds that Histadrut has a special message which it must get across.

Detroit Gets Zionist Home

DETROIT—A \$2,500 contribution by Leon Kay started the ball rolling in a fund-raising drive which made possible the purchase of the Zionist House, which has been paid for in full and will be dedicated during Chanukah Week.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. (NJP)—Rabbi Solomon H. Metz, Rabbi Emeritus of Adas Israel Congregation here, was one of the three clergymen representing the three

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PAULINE SIEGLER

ASHKENAZI dates back to the 17th century when the Jews of Turkey invited their co-religionists in Austria, Germany, Hungary and Czechoslovakia to leave their native countries where they were oppressed and persecuted and to come to settle in Turkey where the Government was tolerant and hospitable. The "kol kore" or invitation issued by the Turkish Jews caused a great commotion wherever it was received and large multitudes responded to the invitation.

As they settled in Turkey and Turkish dominated countries they founded as separate and distinct religious community, which was called Kahal Kadosh Ashkenazi (The Holy Community of German Jews). This set them apart from the Sephardic and Roman Jewish communities which had preceded them.

It was from the name of the community that the Jewish surname Ashkenazi (German) is derived. They prospered and waxed rich. Many of them re-emigrated later to other European countries and when time came for them to adopt permanent family names they took the historic name of Ashkenazi. Others germanized their name and called themselves "Deutsch" which has the same meaning and origin.

Rzotkiewicz

● Dear Mr. Pearlroth:
Please tell me the meaning of the name Rzotkiewicz. The locale is Poland in the vicinity of Lomza and Makow.

E. ZUTKOFF
Bronx, N. Y.

RZOTKIEWICZ (more correctly Rzodkiewicz) is a curiously transformed patronymic. The ancestor from whom the name stems was named Judah or Judko (little Judah). His sons called themselves Judkiewicz (sons of Judah). Some Polish official subsequently registered the name as Zydkievitz or Rzodkiewicz. He was

What Foods These Morsels Be

Traditional Jewish Dishes Mother Used To Prepare

TWO NEW rice recipes worked out by the Rice Consumer Service have our attention this week:

TOMATO RICE SALAD

4 green peppers	Lettuce leaves
4 tomatoes	Cold cooked rice
DRESSING (Or use your favorite French dressing, sparingly)	
1 teaspoon curry powder	2 1/2 teaspoons mild vinegar
1 teaspoon salt	1/2 tablespoon finely chopped onion (more if desired)

To make 3 cups: Put 1 cup of uncooked rice, 2 cups cold water and 1 teaspoon salt in a two-quart sauce pan and cover with a tight-fitting lid. Bring to a vigorous boil. Then reduce the heat as low as possible and steam for 14 minutes or until all the water is absorbed, leaving the separate rice grains with their full nutritional value. (If you prefer more tender rice grains, add 1/3 cup more water and increase the slow cooking time 4 or 5 minutes.) Remove the lid, permit to steam dry to the desired consistency and the grains will be separate and fluffy. Never stir rice; lift gently with a fork. Chill rice. Scald the tomatoes. Peel tomatoes and remove the seeds from green peppers. Slice peppers, quarter tomatoes. Measure. (Add half their quantity of cold cooked rice.)

FOR DRESSING: Put the curry powder, the salt and sugar in a pitcher. Add the vinegar and onion. Mix with salad and serve on lettuce, immediately. Serves 4 person.

ALMOND CHICKEN WITH RICE

1 cup uncooked rice	1/2 cup thinly sliced water chestnuts (canned)
1/2 cup sliced mushrooms (canned or fresh)	1/2 cup thinly sliced celery
1/2 cup almonds, blanched	1 cup diced, cold chicken (fresh or canned)
3 tablespoons salad oil, to be used 1 tablespoon at a time	2 tablespoons liquid (1 tablespoon each, from bamboo shoots and water chestnut cans)
1 clove garlic, cut in half	1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon salt	1 cup cubed bamboo shoots (canned)

GRAVY

2 teaspoons cornstarch	1/2 cup sliced green onion
1/2 teaspoon sugar	
4 tablespoons water	
4 teaspoons soy sauce	

To make 3 cups: Put 1 cup of uncooked rice, 2 cups cold water and 1 teaspoon salt in a two-quart sauce pan and cover with a tight-fitting lid. Bring to a vigorous boil. Then reduce the heat as low as possible and steam for 14 minutes or until all the water is absorbed, leaving the separate rice grains with their full nutritional value. (If you prefer more tender rice grains, add 1/3 cup more water and increase the slow cooking time 4 or 5 minutes.) Remove the lid, permit to steam dry to the desired consistency and the grains will be separate and fluffy. Never stir rice; lift gently with a fork. Brown almonds in 1 tablespoon oil. Set aside. With tablefork, mash garlic into salt in skillet. (Be sure there is a tight-fitting cover, which can be used later.) Add 1 tablespoon oil, then add chicken. Brown lightly. Add 1 tablespoon oil and then bamboo shoots and mushrooms. Brown lightly. Add liquid, drained from canned bamboo shoots and water chestnuts. Cover tightly. Cook over low heat 5 minutes. Add water chestnuts, celery, and 1/2 of the almonds. Just heat through. Celery and chestnuts should remain crisp. For gravy... shake up in small jar, cornstarch, salt, sugar, water and soy sauce. Stir into mixture. Cook until liquid thickens and is smooth. Sprinkle over dish, green onions and rest of almonds. Serve with hot fluffy cooked rice. This will serve 4 persons.

probably thinking of the Polish "Zyd" (a Jew) but suc-

ceeded only in introducing the word "Rzodkiew" (a radish).



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ADL, Committee, Should Quash Rumor On NCRAC

WE DO not feel that the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and the American Jewish Committee will care to risk the danger to their respective organizations of so grave a blunder as withdrawing from the National Community Relations Advisory Council.

As is reported, the two civic defense agencies are giving some thought to such a move if the NCRAC adopts the MacIver report substantially in the form in which it now stands.

We have too much faith in the good judgement of men like John Slawson and Benjamin Epstein, directors respectively of the Committee and the ADL, not to mention Jacob Blaustein and Frank Goldman, to believe that they would lend themselves to such a foolhardy action.

There was a time when the AJCommittee could defy the will of the Jewish community, but that day is passed.

To be more specific, the American Jewish community could not afford to see an organization which the Committee and the ADL had part in founding and with whom they have been working together for some years, disrupted by unilateral action of this kind.

The late Henry Monsky, astute strategist that he was, submitted to the formation of the NCRAC, which he at first opposed, because he was skilled enough as a politician to assay the mood of the American Jewish community accurately and to recognize that a weak NCRAC would be preferable to another formula for bringing unity into this important field of Jewish activity which would impose even more severe restrictions on his ADL.

In the past ten years many things have transpired which have increased the demand

for unity in the civic defense field.

In addition the national civic defense organizations have lost a great deal of popular support, due in part to the competition and fighting between them, but owing more largely to the emergence of the local community relations agencies. These latter bodies, organized into the CRC, known as the Community Relations Councils, have assumed an ever larger role in civic defense work and have earned the support of the local communities to a degree which the national agencies never approached.

Adding to this decline in the national civic defense agencies has been a growth of confidence, a kind of maturity of the American Jew, which means that he is no longer so easily frightened as he was ten or twenty years ago.

All these factors, it seems to The Post, would make it extremely hazardous for any dissident agency to withdraw from the NCRAC without risking great harm to itself.

If the ADL and the Committee were refused opportunity to present their views, and if the manner in which the MacIver Report is being discussed almost from every angle and by everyone was anything less than democratic, then these two organizations might have some basis for taking action.

But whatever proposals in the MacIver Report are adopted, the ADL and the Committee will have had full opportunity to present their side of the case.

The B'nai B'rith and the Committee should put an end to rumors of threats of their withdrawal from the NCRAC immediately. They probably are untrue and their continued circulation will do harm to everyone concerned.

Jewish Agency To Be Commended

THE ACTION of The Jewish Agency in withholding insofar as was possible its response to the American Jewish Committee's resolution from the daily press certainly warrants commendation.

For years now, ever since the American Council for Judaism has been running to the daily press with its dangerous anti-Semitic charges against the Zionists, The Post has pointed out the wisdom of confining these charges over Zionism to the Jewish community.

The American Council for Judaism was waited upon by the Jewish community through its recognized representatives to secure an agreement to withhold vicious matter from the daily press. But no such agreement could be reached. With some small justification, the Council pointed out that the Zionists used the daily press for their propaganda purposes, and that the Anglo-Jewish press was more or less closing its columns to its so-called news.

But the Jewish Agency seemed to understand that more was at stake in these bitter internece quarrels than organizational prestige. The welfare of the Jewish group can be endangered by such damaging and fallacious accusations as that made by a Jewish group, in this instance the Council, against other Jews, that a Zionist was a disloyal citizen.

It is devoutly to be hoped that the pattern set by the Jewish Agency will be followed by all our national Jewish organizations.

It would be a most wholesome development if some specific agreement might now be reached by all national Jewish organizations to limit their fighting words to the Anglo-Jewish and yiddish press.

No group or people washes its dirty linen in public, and that is exactly what the Jewish group has been doing for years now, while at the same time spending millions of dollars to influence that public favorably towards the Jews.

Who Is Shutting Israel's Doors?

SINCE IT probably will not be denied that Israel is cutting down on immigration, and has, in fact, been doing so for several months now, it needs to be pointed out that this decision was not of her own making.

If one wants to place responsibility where it belongs, then it should be laid at the door of the American Jewish community.

If there are still some phases of the Zionist program about which there is disagreement in the U. S. Jewish community, most certainly

there is general acceptance of the idea of Israel as a haven for the oppressed Jews of the world who have nowhere else to go.

And since it is common knowledge that there are hundreds of thousands of Jews in North Africa and elsewhere living in indescribable squalor who look upon the rebirth of Israel as a miracle and whose whole life now revolves around the possibility of getting to Israel, the responsibility cannot be avoided.

The doors were shut by you.

Real Decision Will Not Be On MacIver Report

FROM a long-range viewpoint it is fortunate for the American Jewish community that the MacIver Report has stirred so much reaction and that a decision one way or another will be rendered soon.

The real decision, as must be obvious to anyone who knows his Jewish community, is not on the MacIver Report at all. The decision is on whether or not the national Jewish organizations are supreme bodies beyond the scope of direction by the American Jewish community or whether these groups are agencies of the community acting as their arms in carrying out the expressed will of the community.

From a historical standpoint, the decision was actually made some ten years ago when the then two most powerful national Jewish organizations, the B'nai B'rith and the American Jewish Committee were forced against their will to join the National Community Relations Advisory Council, which is the coordinating body for our Jewish civic defense agencies.

This showdown came after many years of evasion on the part of the ADL and the AJCommittee to avoid just such control.

In that decade the theory of the subservience of the national agencies to the Jewish community has slowly been strengthened.

So much so, that now the ADL and the Committee recognize that unless this their one final effort is successful they will never again have the opportunity to challenge the concept of their fealty to the community.

At present the national organizations are seeking to make prevail a sort of divine right theory, which would place them above and beyond any community direction. But the fallacy in this kind of position, is not only its authoritarianism and anti-democratic basis. It lies also in the fact that the funds to operate these agencies do not come from the memberships of these agencies, but from the very communities whose decisions they contend they may ignore or accept depending upon their views on the matter in question.

So the decision to be rendered at the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds in Chicago is a significant one. But if the showdown is avoided or postponed, the final decision in favor of the Jewish communities is inevitable sooner or later.

THE EDITOR'S CHAIR

THE POST's string of correspondents and columnists spread throughout every major Jewish community in the U. S. are an interesting lot and it has been suggested to me that I might write about them from time to time.

No better start in that direction could be made than with Shimon Wincelberg, whose prose artistry any reader of The Post, even with the least sensitive feel for expert handling of the King's English, can detect. Shimon is in Hollywood for us and his Report from Hollywood is not only a most mature account of what goes on of interest to Jews as Jews in Hollywood, but is delightfully written, with just enough of a caustic pen dipped with sly humor, to make every sentence he writes a little jewel of its own.

Shimon has just sold a short story to Harper's Bazaar. That Shimon could sell a story to a top-notch magazine must come as no surprise to our readers.

But the remarkable part about Shimon and his achievements in the literary and artistic world is that he's been in the U. S. only about 12 or 13 years or so. He is now only 27 years old, and came here from Berlin as a refugee from Hitlerism.

Shimon is completing his first novel. He wrote "From Hell to Breakfast," an adaptation of Joshua Alkon's play, "Gold," which has a good possibility of being filmed with Danny Kaye as the star, and prepared the screen treatment for A. E. Martin's Australian best-seller, "The Outsiders."

I'll try to tell you about some of our other stringers as I go along. We have Hebrew School principals, (Harry Cushing, Boston), Insurance salesmen (Dave Goodwin, Miami), television producers (Herbert Luft, Los Angeles), secretaries to rabbis (Minnie Achtenberg, Kansas City), and an assortment of newspaper people (Murray Frank, Washington, D. C., Morton Margolin, Denver, Asher Birnbaum, Chicago), and an assortment of just plain housewives, students, and so forth.

OUR ALERT advertising department brought in a contract from Kingan's, the meat packers. When I turned it down, the staff in the advertising department, composed both of Jews and non-Jews, was confused.

They know that meats of Kingan's and its competitors can be found on the tables of the majority of the city's Jewish homes, and in the city's restaurants frequented by Jews, so they feel that my decision was arbitrary.

To tell the truth I was hard put to it to explain logically why I refused the advertising, which as I recall was pushing the sale of canned corned beef hash.

My final reply to the advertising department, which convinced no one, although it was accurate, was that the American Jewish community may be confused over what it may or may not do, but as a Jewish paper we had a responsibility to our readers who are Orthodox. In addition we cannot ignore the concept of kashruth, which we must not in good conscience do anything to break down.

WHEN I was out in Los Angeles several years back, I had the good fortune to meet Charles Brown, whom I ran into again recently in Washington at the bond conference. I written about him several times here. There is no doubt but that he is one of the most honored Jewish leaders in any community anywhere in the U.S., and deservedly so.

He is soft-spoken, and could

even be described as mild-mannered, but the usual connotation of pusillanimity that accompanies that phrase would be entirely inaccurate in this instance.

As an example, Charles is no Zionist firebrand, but his instincts have always been good, so that when ever there was a Zionist job to be done not to mention fund-raising Charles was always in there battling, if such a verb can be used to describe the methodical way he goes about getting things done.

Charles is coming to be 60 years old, and when the community wanted to do something for the occasion, they broached the matter to him. His answer was No, if they meant a celebration or the presentation of an award.

So a compromise was reached. A special sale of Israel Independence Bonds will be held in honor of Charlie's birthday. The office of the American Financial and Development Corporation for Israel, will issue a special

Charles Brown Bonds for Israel subscription blank. I needn't tally the total sales to be able to tell you that Charlie's host of friends will see that it will be up in the hundreds of thousands of dollars, if not in the millions.

SEVERAL interesting letters have been submitted for publication, but since they either are not signed or are signed only with a pseudonym, we cannot print them. We recognize that the daily papers follow the practice of printing letters signed only by initials of the writer or a pseudonym, but for a Jewish paper, we feel that those who have anything to say, in view of the fact that they have nothing to fear in the way of reprisals, should attach their name to their letters.

While on the subject of the "Freedom of the Press" section of The Post, I should mention a letter I received in which a prominent Jewish leader was taken to task for the methods he used or caused to be used when a strike was called in his business. The point of the letter-writer was that a Jewish leader should be one who follows the highest precepts of Judaism, not just a man who is Jewish and who is a leader.

I concurred in the viewpoint, but before I could print the letter, I returned it to the writer with the request for substantiation of the charges against the man, who although he was not named in the letter, the references so clearly referred to him that anyone who knew American Jewish life at all could identify him.

We are rather liberal on our letter page, preferring to give readers a rather free hand. However, we still can't evade our responsibility as editor, which accounts for the few letters we do reject.

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FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

Former Berlin Rabbi Tells Position, Questions Orthodox

Editor, National Jewish Post:

I trust that you are getting ground that they deceive Jews quickly with their former guards. I am a little tired, as I have been all along, of the argument which has been raging in your columns between various rabbis concerning the role and function of non-orthodox Judaism outside the U.S. For that reason I have been trying to stay out of it. But after Rabbi Klein two weeks ago injected my name into the discussion and Rabbi Katz involves me indirectly again this week, I feel the time has come to show up some of the absurdities and silliness that have been brought up.

Rabbi Katz' reference to the often unknown concentration issuance of Gittin (divorces) by camps, on deportations whose my successor and friend in Berlin is as good an example as main mysterious and in Gestapo any. He objects to them on the prisons whose secrets will fre-

I had been watching this situation for over a year. Some of the unfortunate women under my direct rabbinical care had been in correspondence with Orthodox rabbinical courts as far away as America and Israel in this matter. Nothing happened.

There is no need again to go over the old Orthodox problem of the Agunah. Suffice to say that there were thousands of Jewish women in Europe after the war who could not remarry because there could, of course, be no witnesses to the death of their husbands in far-off and

Finally my patience and my desire not to introduce unnecessary controversies ran out when one such woman who had lost her husband together with two children in a concentration camp, who wanted to start life over again as she had a right to do, who had found a friend who, in turn, had lost his wife and two children in a concentration

camp, who had already given birth to one child out of this new union and was expecting another (the miracle of life and vitality on the smouldering ashes of the stake!) came to me almost overwhelmed by conscience for fear of her marital status without Get or Kiddushin and for fear of the legal, Jewish standing of her children.

I told the two people what was involved, they signed a statement which is still available that they understand that theirs would not be a Jewish divorce according to Orthodox law but one which liberal and understanding, humane Jews would accept, and I then gave them a "liberal Get." (Such Gitin, by the way, have been issued for a long time e. g. by the Reform congregations in Great Britain.)

There was, therefore, no pretense of deceit involved in any way. My successor no doubt follows the same procedure. And now, let Rabbi Katz shout about whatever he wishes! I can only add that if some of our Orthodox colleagues in Europe would concern themselves a little with such genuine human and Jewish problems and spend less time adjudicating the illegal business quarrels of black-marketeers I am sure the Jewish people there and elsewhere would be better off.

Let me only say a few more words on the principle underlying. (Continued on next page)

RAMBAM NOT FOR, BUT RESISTED CHANGE SAYS RABBI LERNER

Editor, National Jewish Post:

Among other interesting remarks in your editorial on the importance of certain arrangements taking place in U. S. Judaism (Oct. 12, 1951), your closing sentence arrested my attention. You say that you are hoping for a Judaism here which will be "as American as apple pie" (this certainly gives conclusive to more holiness and concentration in the act of worshipping God.

The keeping of one day of the holiday: This is prevalent among members of the Reform faction, but is making inroads in certain Conservative circles as well.

In Book III, Part IV chapter I we find: "The second day of the holiday (for the Diaspora)—all that is forbidden on the first day is forbidden on the second day, and the only difference is in the laws of burial."

Now should some one object by saying, "that's Maimonides, the strict Rabbi who authored the monumental Code. What

does Maimonides the philosopher, say?" Well, this is from the "Moreh Nevuhim" the "Guide to the Perplexed," Part III, chapter 34. "The Torah is a Godly thing . . . it will not change . . . It is impossible that Torahs should be given in accordance with the circumstances of peoples and changing times."

"Alas and alack," my friends! Let's face it. The Rambam was an Orthodox Torah true Jew.

Rabbi ISRAEL D. LERNER
Chester, Pa.

Editor's note: Rabbi Davidson can speak for himself. But as for me, Rabbi Lerner need not read into what I wrote inferences that weren't there. I used Maimonides in this instance to indicate thorough Jewishness, and not as Rabbi Lerner presumes to indicate, laxity or change or both. Yet in his day, Maimonides was attacked by the Orthodox. His interpretations marked a more liberal approach than that of Joseph Caro, the codifier of the Shulchan Aruch who preceded him by several hundred years.

MAKES OFFER ON REFORM RABBIS IF ORTHODOX WILL FOLLOW SUIT

Editor, National Jewish Post:

I am willing to make a bargain with your correspondent, Rabbi Morris Casriel Katz of St. Paul. He complains that Reform Rabbis in Israel and Europe act like Orthodox to fool people. I will use my influence to get them to desist from doing

so, if he in turn promises to use his influence to get American Orthodox (Conservative is shoen opgeret) rabbis to stop acting like Reform rabbis to fool Jews in the United States.

What do you say?

RABBI MAURICE J. BLOOM
Newburgh, N. Y.

UJA Offices Closed On Rosh Hashonah

Editor, National Jewish Post:

This refers to the item on page 4 of the Oct. 19 issue of the National Jewish Post in which Rabbi Oscar Fleishaker of Rock Island, Ill., is quoted as saying that the New York office of the United Jewish Appeal placed long distance phone calls to all parts of the United States, "telling the leaders the urgency for funds were so great that the staff was even working on Rosh Hashonah."

There is, of course, no question about the urgent need for funds, and it would be most helpful to us in our efforts if we had more days in the year in which to accomplish the task of obtaining these funds. However,

the fact is that the offices of the UJA were shut tight on Rosh Hashonah, as they have been on every other Jewish holiday.

We have our school fund and we want to help people, but a gambler like this is a "goner." Our hard saved money won't help him, he'll just go on. And if he isn't really such a bad fellow, he ought to have friends or business associates of his own to turn to.

We think the facts in a case are what should justify our help and in his case, the facts are pretty awful.

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MORE ON ELIGIBILITY OF WOMEN TO BE CALLED TO THE TORAH

Editor, National Jewish Post:

en must not be called to the Torah."

Obviously, judging by practice, preference was given to the latter portion of the statement which took exception to the first. If the Post report is correct that Orthodox groups in Boston and Chicago now conduct Bas Mitzvah services for girls apparently there are Orthodox as well as Reform groups who are impressed with the Talmud statement that "all are eligible to participate in the Torah service, even a woman."

Again my appreciation to the gentleman from Chicago for an extraordinary letter and his warm interest. It is good to know that we share a common admiration and love for Maimonides, but Maimonides is not under discussion. Nor is either Orthodox or Reform Judaism under discussion. Nor are any individuals under discussion. All that we have before us is a clearly stated sentence in the Talmud.

RABBI HERMAN E. SNYDER
Springfield, Mass.

Explains Why Women Barred From Torah

Editor, National Jewish Post:

In your Oct. 19 issue, Milton Castle of Chicago took Rabbi H.

E. Snyder of Springfield, Mass., to task. Rabbi Snyder wrote, "Orthodoxy forbids the calling up of women to the reading of the Torah at the regular services," and then further states that, "The Talmud was more liberal. In Megillah 23a it is indicated that a woman may participate in the Torah reading services."

What Mr. Castle is complaining about is this—Rabbi Snyder didn't complete the quotation from the same source in Megil-

lah 23a whose very next sentence concludes that nevertheless the Rabbis of the Talmud said, "Women should not be called up to the reading of the Torah out of consideration to the congregation."

I wonder whether Mr. Castle knows why this last sentence was added? In the days this passage was written, there was a great deal of illiteracy among the people; only about 10 per cent were literate. Therefore, it would have been most embarrassing to the men were a woman called up to the Torah who was capable of reciting the prayers.

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RABBI GORDON FEARS COMPETITION;
RELUCTANTLY URGES LATE SERVICES

By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

IN A VERY reluctant manner, is impossible to break the Egyptian blockade against Israel. But official spokesman for Orthodoxy, recommends to his colleagues the introduction of late services.



SILVER a prayer, a Biblical reading in English and a lecture, usually in the form of a book review. But he is worried about the possibility that Orthodox Jews might "stumble" into a Liberal congregation unless Orthodox rabbis provide a late service. He suggests that the Orthodox rabbi abstain from the use of the word, service, and use the term, One Shabbat instead, with the accent on the Shabbat.

Hebrew Book on Marx Reveals Anti-Semitism

WHO IS he God of Israel? The answer is: money. "What is the world outlook of Jewry? Selfishness and material interests."

"The Jewish people bows to the calf of gold; the counting house is its house of prayer."

These quotes are not from Hitler, but from Karl Marx. And their most recent citation was made by a Jewish socialist, M. Ivensky in a new book, "Both Sides," written in Hebrew. M. Danzis reviews the book in The Day, and admires the conversion of Ivensky from "Bundism," the radical Jewish movement, to complete Zionism. According to Danzis, Ivensky's is the first Hebrew book to be authored by a member of the Bund which, in its heyday, was fiercely anti-Zionist.

United Wrath Against Egypt In Dispute Over Suez Canal

THERE is united wrath in the papers against the machinations of the Egyptian government. Most editors and commentators excoriate Egypt for putting the squeeze on England in the matter of the Suez Canal, and they point out the dangers for Israel in the upsurge of Cairo nationalism. The Day brands Egypt a "blackmailer," and most writers hope that England will stick by its guns in the Suez dispute.

None of the writers go so far as to suspect that England and Egypt are really shadow-boxing in their ostensibly ferocious quarrel with the result that the English colonial officials might be able later to point out that it

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versalism, its love for Chassidism, its defense of the Yiddish language, its sympathy with the laboring Jews, its range from humor to satire to tragedy, its devotion to Palestine, its glistering style. Already dozens of tributes have been paid to Peretz in the Yiddish press. Many more will follow as his disciples pay homage to the man whom Pat calls "the daddy of Yiddish literature."

Lavish Tributes to Daddy Of Yiddish Literature

IN THE opinion of all Yiddish writers the greatest practitioner of their craft was the great Y. L. Peretz. Peretz is looked upon with awe, reverence, and adoration, and his literary works constitute the "Bible" of Yiddishists.

Most of the men who write for the Yiddish press knew Peretz personally before his death in 1915; all of them acknowledge the inspiration they received from him. Hence, it is with solemnity and with jubilation that the Jewish Cultural Congress has declared this year as a period of observance and re-dedication to the memory of Peretz, since this is the centennial of his birth.

In a typically ecstatic outpouring of praise, Jacob Pat, in The Forward, lists the characteristics of Peretz' writings: its uni-

DISAPPROVES OF OUR EVIDENCE THAT AMERICAN JUDAISM COMING

• Editor, National Jewish Post

Please permit me to state that your "better evidence . . . for the

development of an American Judaism," which will be, "it is hoped . . . as American as apple pie and as Jewish as Maimonides" (L'havdil) is inadequate and unfortunate. . . . More significant than the united service, for the development of a vital American Judaism would be the answers to the following questions:

How often do the members who attended the youth service in Pasadena pray? Why do they come to a service? Can they get along without praying? After a service, do they remark that it was "nice," or do they feel that they have communed with God? (These questions, obviously, apply to the youth of all communities.)

What I object to mainly in your editorial is the equating . . . of services with Judaism. Judaism is a religious way of life, comprising almost all aspects of personal and social life, including the Sabbath, the holidays (each with its religious and human values), a dietary code, busi-

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Freedom of the Press

(Continued from preceding page)

ing this peculiar contention of some of our Orthodox friends that they can determine who is and who is not a liberal Jew outside the U.S. All non-Orthodox rabbis, in America, in Europe or in Israel, consider the legal and external technicalities of kashruth, talmud, skull caps, riding on the Sabbath, etc., to be of secondary—not of no importance. Within reason they are, therefore, willing either to observe them or not to observe them if either course of action will help the decency, harmony

and Jewishness of the community for whose welfare they work.

Beyond that they will try to persuade their congregants to adopt the course in whose rightness they believe. All this fuss and noise about traditional observances in non-Orthodox Jewish communities outside the U.S. is really quite silly, therefore. We have more important things to worry about, and Orthodox might just as well learn that we shall not quarrel with them or with our fellow liberal Jews about one observance or another.

How about letting a Jew decide by himself whether he considers himself liberal or not? Or better yet: how about letting a Jew study Judaism as much and as best he can and, on the

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KASHRUTH, EDUCATION, GAMBLING ARE KANSAS CITY PROBLEMS

By CARL ALPERT

Editor's Note: This is one of a series of Community Vignettes written by Mr. Alpert following a recent speaking tour which took him to a number of Midwestern cities.

GREATER Kansas City, still sweeping up and rebuilding after its recent disastrous flood, numbers a population of about 800,000 persons, of which close to 25,000 are Jews. Like most Jewish communities of its size, it is thoroughly organized, with a full quota of local branches of miscellaneous organizations. A Jewish Community Council exists, but on paper only. It has been swallowed up by the Federation and rarely meets. There is an integrated community spirit, however, and a fine consciousness of community affiliation on the part of most local Jewish families.

Among the institutions which should probably be listed under the heading of miscellaneous are the Oakwood Country Club, once an exclusive rendezvous of German Jews, but now open to all Jews who command the price, and the Standard Club, a downtown establishment with no social or financial barriers of any kind. Anybody who enjoys gambling is welcome.



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THERE is little sense of responsibility toward Jewish education on the part of the central community leaders, and the Federation limits its aid to about \$1,500 for a new project of Adult Classes. The Kansas City synagogues carry the educational burden themselves, and it has been estimated that 95% of the city's Jewish child population get at least a Sunday School education, and 40% attend more often than once a week.

There is no Jewish Day School, but not long ago a group which split away from the Lublin Yeshiva in Detroit came to Kansas City, bringing its own students, and set up shop here. The community has been unhappy at the way the new Yeshiva has operated, and even local Orthodox Jews have been embarrassed by the low standards and apparent lack of integrity in the school.

Under an arrangement with the Jewish Federation, the privately owned Kansas City Jewish Chronicle is mailed to all 4,000 families in town—except for the few who objected to having newspapers on which the word Jewish was prominently displayed, projecting from their mailboxes.

The city has just built a new million dollar wing on its Menorah Hospital (non-sectarian) and a new Home for the Aged at a similar cost. The latter building, a luxurious structure on a 10-acre site, accommodating 75 residents, was made possible in part by a single \$300,000 legacy.

THE question of what happens to Jewish organizations which outlive their usefulness is answered here by the Guardian Society for Jewish Children. Originally intended to provide foster homes for orphans and victims of broken families, the society has found itself with no outlet for its treasury. After consideration, the society decided to place its assets in a trust fund and use the income to send Kansas City children to summer camps of Jewish content. This past summer eighteen youngsters were sent to such camps on full scholarships, including transportation. Other communities with idle funds should take note.

Kashruth supervision is a vexing and still unsolved problem here. Kansas City is the source of vast quantities of kosher beef sent to Jewish resorts in Hot Springs and in the east, and supervision alone has become a "big business" with many of its concomitant evils.

JEWS have by and large kept clear of local political corruption and the Pendergast machine is a non-Jewish monopoly. The Council for Judaism has only a small and ineffectual nucleus here. Largest organizations are Hadassah and the B'nai B'rith. The Z.O.A., which once numbered a thousand members, has arrested its decline, and is on the upgrade again.

Outstanding Jew in the community until his recent tragic death, was Louis S. Myers. He has been succeeded as president of the Federation by Hyman Brand, one of the very few Orthodox Jews in the country to hold such a position.

Kansas City miscellany: The city has one Reform, one Conservative and five Orthodox synagogues. . . . Rabbi Samuel S. Mayerberg, Reform, is the only rabbinical member of the K. C. Ministers' Association. . . . Largest Jewish school is Kehilath Israel's new structure with fourteen classrooms. Rabbi Maurice Solomon felt it more important to build the new school first, and leave the new synagogue for later. . . . There are 8,000 individual contributors to the Federation. . . . Most common business for K. C. Jews: cloak and suit needle trades. . . . The Kansas City Star is pro-Israel editorially, but also carries Dorothy Thompson's attacks and occasional Arab propaganda. . . . The community has no major group antagonisms. Some are worried by the fact that many of Kansas City's most able young people, potentially the best leaders, have been leaving town. There are many fine, active Jewish citizens, but very few of top leadership caliber.

Israel to Buy 20,000 Tons Of Meat From Uruguay

JERUSALEM (NJP) — The shortage of kosher meat is expected to be alleviated by the importation of 20,000 tons of kosher meat from Uruguay, it was announced here. A new trade treaty between Uruguay and Israel calls for the importation of that amount of meat by March 1954.

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THE RECORD RACK

KUSEVITSKY STIRS REVIEWER
BUT NOT HEBREW ARTS CHORALE

By JOSEPH GALE

THE HEBREW ARTS Chorale is another attempt by a Jewish record maker to portray Jewish music via the medium of multiple voices, and while unsuccessful, it is not totally so.

Directed by Seymour Silbermintz, in a production supervised by Ben Gradus, the above named ensemble essays "Tzena Tzena" and "Hasheevenu." The



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singing in the first did not completely mask what sounded like a piano in the background, there for purposes of pitch more than a ny-

thing else, we suspect. To all intents, however, the first number is sung a capella. The 10-inch record is a production of the Hebrew Arts Foundation, released through Reena Record Corp.

The mixed voices indicate a more harmonious selection than customary in these efforts. The men sing fairly well by themselves; the women are no worse alone, and no better. Together, the effect is a shade or two above pleasant. In "Hasheevenu," the accompaniment is a guitar, and a twangy, effective one it is. The singing here, by the same token, seems cleaner and clearer.

This is a hollow recording, isn't any more.

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In a new RCA Victor release, Moshe Kusevitsky proves again, if, indeed, proof is needed, that so far does he outstrip competition, that any consideration of his cantorial qualities is an academic one. In the vocal parade, Kusevitsky ranks high—though not near the top: his tenor is ready and on the light side—yet never fails where one would expect it to. He drives his resources to their fullest, leveling off at the last possible moment before (one thinks) the inevitable crash.

But in trills, grace notes, arpeggios, scales, sobs and sighs, accents and innuendos—in fact, in all the tricks of the trade—the cantor is superb, and for all we know, unmatched.

In "Ashrei" and "B'rash Hashanah," accompanied on the organ by Abe Ellstein, Kusevitsky delivers himself of his all—and we mean that. The record purchaser will not but feel, as we did, a savage and sated delight in knowing that this is it, there

seems cleaner and clearer.

This is a hollow recording, isn't any more.

J.W.V. TO FIGHT EXPORT
OF 'FOX' TO GERMANY

NEW YORK—(NJP)—The Jewish War Veterans this week moved to forestall exportation of "The Desert Fox," Hollywood film glorifying Nazi General Rommel, to Germany.

Aroused over the glamorizing of a man who was responsible for killing American GI's in World War II, the national executive committee agreed to take action at a meeting held in New York groups, but the NCRAC is still trying to get some agreement.

The National Community Relations Advisory Council, coordinating agency for defense work in the Jewish community Andrew E. Krauss estimated has been unsuccessful in attempting to draft a resolution on the picture during opening behalf of its member agencies. Krauss said he had very There has been a difference of few complaints, only by people opinion among the various he called "perpetual grippers."

ISRAEL NO GUARANTEE
FOR JUDAISM-SILVER

NEW YORK—(NJP)—Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver declared last week that while world Jewry will continue to take pride in and support Israel, "A political state cannot be counted on to preserve a spiritual heritage."

He spoke at the banquet marking the formal dedication of the Union of American Hebrew Congregation's House of Living Judaism here.

"The majority of the Jewish

Believe Paris Talks
On Peace Broken Up

PARIS—The negotiations between Israel and the Arab Nations seem to have come to an end with the Israel delegation advising the UN Palestine Conciliation Commission that it could not continue the attempts to negotiate a peace.

The Israeli delegation considers the Arab's declaration made at the opening of the negotiations some weeks ago as a retreat from the guarantees in the armistice agreements.

The Israel delegation said it would always be willing to resume negotiations either under the Commission or any other agency of the UN.

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

Rabbi Replies Sternly To Question How Much Hebrew Should Reform Jewish Child Learn

rael have observed the Sabbath." AJCommittee.

Notes

IONG-TIME Zionist that he is, Prof. Albert Einstein was accorded the honor this week of purchasing the 200,000th State of Israel Bond sold in this country. The famous physicist forked over \$500 for the bond to Yael Sharett 21-year-old daughter of Moshe Sharrett, Israel's foreign minister . . . Sam Daroff, who divides his time between work in the Jewish community and the Famous 500 Brand Botany clothes which his family manufactures, got a bible as his reward for raising \$5,388,000 for the 1951 campaign of the Allied Jewish Appeal and Medical Center building fund of the Federation of Jewish Charities of Philadelphia . . . Jacob M. Kaplan, president of the Welch Grape Juice Co., was named to the executive committee of the



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EINSTEIN

A NEW way of emphasizing the longevity of the Jewish people and Judaism was devised by Dr. Gerson Carmel, of the Issac M. Wise (Cincinnati) Temple Brotherhood as quoted in the Har Sinai (Baltimore) Bulletin. Computer Carmel figured that "It is now past the 167,000th Friday evening that we Children of Is-

rael material claims against Germany—a Policy Committee consisting of one representative from each of the organizations sponsoring and participating in the Conference; and an Executive Committee consisting of 12 persons, which is authorized to take such practical steps as developments may necessitate.

The meeting, officially known as the Conference on Jewish Claims Against Germany was attended by representatives of 20 co-sponsoring organizations from 7 countries. The Conference was arranged by the Jewish Agency for Palestine after consultation with the Israel Government which was represented by a delegation headed by Ambassador Eban.

The Conference, at its close: 1) Pledged unanimous support of Israel's claims against Germany (as contained in the Israel Government's not of March 21, 1951, to the four Occupying Powers) based upon the cost to Israel of rehabilitating the survivors of Nazi persecution;

2) affirmed support of all other Jewish material claims against Germany, including those arising out of present restitution laws in Germany, out of heirless property, individual and all other claims;

3) created two ad hoc committees to deal with the question of

in fighting poverty, injustice, inequality, and above all, war and

"Our security lies in uniting the things which lead to war,"

Rabbi Silver explained.

Deaths

LOUIS PRESSMAN, 54, founder of the Warschauer Haim Salomon Home for the Aged in New York, died at Nassau Hospital following a heart attack. Mr. Pressman passed away on the night he was to have been guest of honor at a Simchat Tora party at the Home, of which his mother, Fanny Pressman, was a founder . . . Charles Safran, a former president of Temple Emanuel on Staten Island, N. Y., died of a heart attack at the age of 68 . . . Leo Schwartz, who was president of the Hebrew Tabernacle of Washington Heights, of New York City, and a veteran auctioneer, died at the age of 77 following a brief illness . . . Ralph Wolf, a former president of the Jewish Social Service Association, and a vice-president of the American Council for Judaism, died at the age of 71 . . . Morris Volovick, blind cantor for 25 years of the Dorshe Sholom Congregation in Philadelphia, died at the age of 73. Volovick was blind since birth, and began his religious service at the age of 16 after being graduated from a school for the blind.

With The Rabbis

RABBI Emeritus Emil W. Leipziger of Touro Synagogue, New Orleans, La., will serve as temporary resident rabbi of Congregation Emanu-El Bnei Jeshurun in Milwaukee until a permanent rabbi is engaged . . . Rabbi and Mrs. David Marx of Atlanta, Ga., were recently feted by friends on their golden wedding anniversary . . . Toni Joy Glasner, daughter of Rabbi and Mrs. Samuel Glasner of Athens, Ga., became bat mitzvah on Succot eve . . . Recently appointed spiritual leader of the new Congregation Beth Joseph in Denver, Col., is Rabbi Daniel Goldberger, graduate of the Hebrew Theological College of Chicago . . . A son, Joel Mitchell, was born to Rabbi and Mrs. Solomon Kleinman of Cincinnati, on Sept. 11 . . . Rabbi Leo Trepp, formerly of Temple Beth-El in Berkeley, Calif., has been appointed the first rabbi of the Santa Rosa, Calif., Jewish Community Center. Rabbi Gustave Falk, San Francisco director of the American Jewish Committee, has temporarily replaced Rabbi Trepp in Berkeley.

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U.P.A. Conference This Week-End To Hear U.S., Israel Speakers

NEW YORK—W. Stuart Symington, formerly United States Secretary of the Air Force and currently chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, will be among the principal speakers at the United Palestine Appeal's National Conference for Israel here Saturday and Sunday, Rudolf G. Sonneborn, UPA National Chairman announced this week.

With him as chief participants in the parley will be top-level leaders of Israel and American Jewry, as well as prominent national figures, including: Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., Congressman from New York; Abba Eban, Israel Ambassador to the United States; Dr. Nahum Goldmann, co-chairman of the Jewish Agency for Palestine; Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America.

Tel Aviv Chief Rabbi To Address Mizrahi

NEW YORK—Rabbi Isar J. Unterman, Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv, will be a principal speaker at the 31st annual national convention of the Mizrahi (religious-Zionist) Organization of America, at the Breakers Hotel in Atlantic City, Nov. 14-18.

Other leading speakers at the five-day parley, which will mark American Mizrahi celebration of the Golden Jubilee of the world Mizrahi movement, will include Leon Gellman, chairman of the World Mizrahi Executive; Dr. Nahum Goldmann, co-chairman of the Jewish Agency for Palestine; and Dr. James G. McDonald, the first American Ambassador to Israel.

More than 1,000 delegates from all parts of the United States are expected for the five-day parley, at which a comprehensive analysis and revision of the American Mizrahi program will be mapped for the future.

A full day of sessions will be devoted to implementation of plans for the Bar-Ilan University, which will be established by Mizrahi at Ramat Gan as the first religious university in Israel.

Mizrahi Women to Hear Col. Herzog, Miller

NEW YORK—Colonel Chaim Herzog, top military representative of the State of Israel in the U.S., and Rabbi Irving Miller, president of the American Jewish Congress, will deliver major addresses at the forthcoming 26th annual national convention of the Mizrahi Women's Organization of America. More than 1,000 delegates representing 50,000 members of the religious-Zionist women's are expected to attend the four-day meeting in Atlantic City from Nov. 11-14.

Crown has just published Ari ben-Zahav's, David and Bathsheba, translated from the Hebrew on the recent movie, David and Bathsheba. Amusing is the fact that the book was originally called, David and the hope is to capitalize on the recent movie, David and Bathsheba.

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Forthcoming Conventions For Next 2 Weeks

- Nov. 3-4, National Jewish Welfare Board's National Leadership Mobilization, Statler Hotel, Washington, D. C.
- Nov. 3-4, United Palestine Appeal's National Conference for Israel, Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C.
- Nov. 10-12, Joint Defense Appeal National Council, Chase Hotel, St. Louis.
- Nov. 11-14, Mizrahi Women's Organization of America's annual convention, Atlantic City.
- Nov. 14-18, Mizrahi Organization of America's annual convention, Breakers Hotel, Atlantic City.

J.W.B. Expects 300 At Mobilization Nov. 3-4

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Three hundred key Jewish community leaders from all sections of the country are expected to participate in the two-day National Leadership Mobilization on GI and Community Service, which opens here tomorrow night (Nov. 3) at the Statler Hotel under the auspices of the National Jewish Welfare Board.

Irving Edison, JWB president will open the convention. He said the meetings were designed to provide Jewish community leaders with a first hand picture of the national defense needs for 1952 and the relationship between the fulfillment of these objectives and JWB's program for next year.

Smear Try on Halley Rebuffed by Supporters

NEW YORK—(NJP)—A last minute attempt to smear Rudolph Halley, Liberal-Independent-Fusion candidate for the City Council presidency, backfired against its originator. Acting president Joseph Sharkey, Democratic candidate for that office, was scored by Halley supporters for a letter he had sent them suggesting they withdraw their support because Halley had served as legal counsel for George Richards, alleged anti-Negro and anti-Semitic.

Among the recipients of the letter, who reaffirmed their support of Halley, were Dorothy Schiff, N.Y. Post publisher; Rabbi Israel Goldstein and Arthur Hays Sulzberger.

Meanwhile, The Post learned that just before the recent High Holidays, Halley had joined the West Side Institutional Synagogue here, headed by Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, noted Orthodox leader.



EDISON

J.D.A. Meet To Hear Three Major Talks

ST. LOUIS—Major addresses at the sixth annual meeting of the Joint Defense Appeal National Council here will be delivered by Jacob Blaustein, president of the American Jewish Committee, Justice Meier Steinbrink, national chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, and Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein, president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

The JDA is the fund-raising arm of the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

Greatest Outpouring of Cash As UJA Gets \$19,981,044

NEW YORK—In the greatest outpouring of cash ever to take place at a national meeting of the United Jewish Appeal, community leaders from all parts of the country provided a total of \$19,981,044 here last week-end.

This unprecedented demonstration put the 1951 cash income of the United Jewish Appeal at more than \$74,500,000.

At the same time, the nearly 1,000 Jewish community leaders from 44 states, in their dramatic wind-up of two days of event-packed sessions at the Hotel Commodore, took specific action to provide for the raising by year's end of the balance of the UJA's pressing \$35,000,000 cash requirement.

William Rosenwald, both UJA National Chairman and National Chairman of the Appeal's Special Cash Drive, declared that "While the raising of this substantial sum is most impressive, it does not mark the end of this year's United Jewish Appeal campaign."

Mr. Rosenwald, joined by leading executives and chairmen of campaign organizations throughout the country, urged that every effort during the remaining months of 1951 be devoted toward raising the funds required to help realize in full the UJA's \$35,000,000 short-term cash goal.

Council For Judaism Is Silent On Fight Of Committee-Agency

NEW YORK—(NJP)—The American Council for Judaism this week refused comment on the current controversy between the American Jewish Committee and the recognized Zionist Bodies (NJP, Oct. 19, 26, 1951).

The attitude of the Council, if an attitude it was, was one of indifference to anything the Committee said or did.

KNESSET TO DEBATE OFFER OF COMMAND

JERUSALEM—(NJP)—A special knesset debate will be held Sunday on the question of Israel's participation in the Middle East Defense Command.

Meanwhile the Arab nations under pressure because of Israel's willingness to join the command are holding hurried consultations.

A note asking Israel to submit her ideas on the command was delivered to Israel early this week. It was similar to the one delivered to the Arab nations, which they are now considering.

Israel's position has been strengthened considerably by Egypt's rebuff of the offer to her.



AGRON

Agron Hails Offer To Israel By Command

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—(NJP)—Gershon Agron, publisher of The Jerusalem Post, only English-language daily in Israel, expressed strong satisfaction here over the offer to Israel to join the Middle East Defense Command.

Agron, who last year was information official for the government, but who since has returned to his role as a leading newspaperman, did not attempt to conceal his elation at the turn of events.

It was clear that he considered the development one of the most important in Israel's short history.

"And you can see," he added, "that the most important thing which Israel has been forced to have happened is the report that the U.S., Britain, France, and

and Turkey are seeking Israel's views on the projected Middle East defense command which Egypt refused to join."

These consultations and the prospect that Israel might share in the West's rearmament program are certain to have wide repercussions in the Arab world.

The balding, sharp speaking editor gestured with a bandaged right hand, bones of which were dislocated in an auto accident. It occurred when the car in which he rode with Rabbi Julian Fleg, state manager for the campaign, skidded off a wet road near Georgetown, on return here from an Ashland bond rally.

Asked if he liked "this role into which Israel has been forced," Agron said he was "non-committal." "But," he added, "we are

going to play the role."

The solidly-built publisher was in Louisville on behalf of the Bonds for Israel campaign, and spoke before community lay leaders on separate occasions at the homes of David Karp (where unsolicited pledges boosted the local pledges over \$125,000) and Leo Walkow.

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